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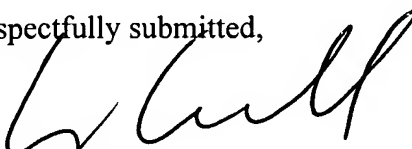
REMARKS

The Official Action provisionally rejects Claims 1-10 and 12-16 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable under Claims 1-10 and 14-18 of co-pending Application No. 10/780,520. Without agreeing with the substance of the assertion relating to obviousness, a terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith. As noted by the Official Action, the submission of a terminal disclaimer overcomes the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Since the only ground of rejection has now been overcome, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims of the present application are in condition for immediate allowance. It is therefore respectfully requested that a Notice of Allowance be issued. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney to resolve any remaining issues in order to expedite examination of the present application.

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

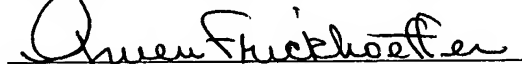


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